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IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the abstract as follows:

--An ostomy device ~~(1) comprising~~ including a collecting bag ~~(2)~~ and a base plate ~~(3)~~ with an adhesive plate ~~(4)~~ for being fastened on the user, ~~the said base plate having an opening (5) for receiving an ostomy, said base plate (3) further comprising~~ having a stomal opening and a first flange ~~(7)~~ for repeated and removable adhesive connection to a coupling element ~~(8)~~ on the collecting bag which has a second flange. The, said first flange (7) being ~~manufactured from a material with a first tensile strength, said coupling element comprising a second flange (9) manufactured from a material with a second tensile strength, said adhesive connection being~~ is provided by at least one layer of an adhesive ~~(13)~~. Furthermore, the device ~~comprises~~ includes a further flexible layer ~~(10)~~ placed between the adhesive layer and the one of the first and second flanges having the lower ~~flange with the~~ tensile strength, ~~the being the lowest, and said flexible layer having a yield strength exceeding the adhesive strength of the adhesive layer (13). Hereby an adhesive coupling connection is obtained between bag part and body portion in such a manner that deformations and tearing out of the flange material are prevented and whereby good coupling connection is obtained without a risk of residue of~~

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~~adhesive agent and foam being left behind on the surface that was
supposed to be clean and ready to receive an fresh, unused bag
flange. --~~